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SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEW YORK LOS TUNA MEETING
NOVEMBER 3-14

1. AMBASSADOR JOHN NORTON MOORE MET SEPARATELY ON OCTOBER
17 WITH AMBASSADOR AYALA (ECUADOR) AND AMBASSADOR GALINDO-
POHL (EL SALVADOR) AT USUN NEW YORK TO FINALIZE ARRANGEMENTS
FOR NEW YORK LOS TUNA TALKS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD FROM
NOVEMBER 3-14 AT UN HEADQUARTERS.

2. IT WAS AGREED THAT U.S. AND ECUADOR WOULD INFORMALLY
SUBMIT THEIR DRAFT PROPOSED REVISIONS OF ARTICLE 53 TO
GALINDO -POHL FOR ADVANCE DISTRIBUTION BY GALINDO-POHL
TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE NEW YORK TALKS. (INFO PARIS,
TOKYO, SANTIAGO AND QUITO U.S. ARTICLE 53 WOULD BE VERSION A.
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I.E. THE DETAILED DRAFT). GALINDO-POHL WOULD CIRCULATE THE

TWO DRAFTS (WITHOUT CHANGES) TO MEMBER GOVERNMENTS PRIOR TO THE TALKS. IN DOING SO HE WOULD INDICATE THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE TALKS IS TO INFORMALLY EXPLORE AGREEMENT BOTH ON A REVISED ARTICLE 53 OF SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT ON HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES AND A DRAFT REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR THE EASTERN PACIFIC IMPLEMENTING ARTICLE 53 AND THAT WE WOULD BEGIN FIRST ON ARTICLE 53 AND HE WOULD EXPECT TO CIRCULATE

A DRAFT REGIONAL AGREEMENT EARLY IN THE TALKS AFTER LISTENING TO SOME OF THE INITIAL DISCUSSIONS.

3. IT IS UNDERSTOOD BY AYALA AND GALINDO-POHL THAT THE TWO DRAFT ARTICLE 53 TEXTS WOULD BE CIRCULATED BY GALINDO-POHL WITHOUT ATTRIBUTION OF U.S. OR ECUADORIAN AUTHORSHIP. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THESE DRAFTS APPEAR TO COME FROM GALINDO-POHL AND NOT U.S. AND ECUADOR. AS SUCH, CONCERNED U.S. EMBASSIES SHOULD NOT DISCUSS UNDERSTANDING WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS EXCEPT AS INDICATED IN THIS CABLE.

4. IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD THAT U.S. WILL GIVE TO GALINDO-POHL OUR DRAFT REGIONAL AGREEMENT WHICH HE WILL BE FREE TO CIRCULATE EARLY IN THE NEW YORK TALKS. AGAIN THIS WOULD BE WITHOUT ATTRIBUTION TO U.S.

5. FOR TOKYO AND PARIS: GALINDO-POHL WILL NOT CIRCULATE MATERIALS TO FRENCH AND JAPANESE BUT HE UNDERSTANDS THEY WILL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE BY PROPOSAL U.S. OR OTHERS WILL MAKE DURING FIRST DAY OF TALKS. FRENCH AND JAPANESE ALREADY HAVE INFORMAL TEXTS OF ARTICLE 53 PREPARED BY U.S. AND ECUADOR AND U.S. DRAFT REGIONAL AGREEMENT. AMBASSADOR OGISO AND MONSIEUR JEANNELOF JAPANESE AND FRENCH DELEGATIONS SHOULD BE INFORMED OF ARRANGEMENTS AND REQUESTED NOT TO INDICATE AUTHORSHIP OF ANY DRAFTS DURING NEW YORK TALKS.

6. FOR OTTAWA: OXMAN TALKS WITH CANADIAN DELEGATION TO PARIS'CNFAF MEETING SUGGESTS CANADIANS DO NOT UNDERSTAND THAT PURPOSE OF NEW YORK MEETING IS TO AGREE NOT ONLY ON AN ARTICLE 53 BUT ALSO A DRAFT REGIONAL TUNA AGREEMENT FOR EASTERN PACIFIC IMPLEMENTING A NEW ARTICLE 53. THAT IS CONFIDENTIAL

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WHY TWO WEEKS IS ABSOLUTELY MINIMAL TIME AND WE WOULD STRONGLY HOPE THAT CANADIANS COULD PARTICIPATE FOR FULL TWO-WEEK SESSION. PLEASE STRESS WITH APPROPRIATE CANADIAN OFFICIALS IMPORTANCE OF TALKS AND OPPORTUNITY TO RESOLVE 23 YEAR OLD DISPUTE IN REGION AND URGE THAT THEY SEND BOTH HIGH LEVEL LOS AND HIGH LEVEL FISHERY EXPERTS TO ATTEND DISCUSSIONS FOR FULL PERIOD.

7. FOR SANTIAGO: HOST GOVERNMENTS WILL PROBABLY LEARN OF ARRANGEMENTS BUT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF ARRANGEMENTS AND URGE THAT THEY NOT ASCRIBE AUTHORSHIP OF ANY PAPERS TO U.S. OR ECUADOR DURING NEW YORK MEETING.

8. FOR LIMA: HOST GOVERNMENT WILL PROBABLY LEARN OF ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH ECUADOR. UNLESS YOU FEEL OTHERWISE WE SUGGEST NO NEED FOR U.S. TO INFORM PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT.

9. FOR USUN NEW YORK: PLEASE ADVISE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR FERNANDO ZEGGARS AND UN UNDER SECRETARY ZULETA OF ARRANGEMENTS AND FOLLOW THROUGH WITH ZULETA AND GALINDO-POHL ON FINALIZING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEETING. YOU SHOULD ALSO MAKE POINT ABOUT AUTHORSHIP OF PAPERS CONTAINED PARA 7 OF THIS CABLE.
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